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For President—
WILLIAM MCKINLEY of Ohio.
For Vice President—
GARRETT A. HOBART of New Jersey.

Cleveland and the Silver Flood.

From the St. Louis Globe Democrat.

There are several reasons why the president makes no attempt to check the silver wave which threatens to swamp his party in the coming canvass. First, he is divested of the resources, the public patronage, which enabled him to force many silver democrats over to his side in the fight to repeal the Sherman law in 1893; secondly, the element to which he belongs is despondent, and perhaps some of this feeling has seized him; thirdly, he is pretty well assured by this time that a considerable part of this silver craze is simply an expression of personal resentment towards himself. The last named reason for silverism is odd, but there is no doubt that it exists. When the average democrat turns against Cleveland, either from failure to get an office or for any other reason or for no reason, he begins to howl for free silver.

When the president began his assault on the Sherman law in 1893 he had a fine collection of offices of all sorts at his disposal, and for each office there were at least ten applicants. The senators and representatives who wanted to control these offices and the "hungry and thirsty" crowd who were scrambling to get into them found that a semblance of devotion to sound money would help their chances. This influence had great effect. Nobody ever saw so many conversions before or since in so short a time, either in politics or religion, as were made on the silver question between the opening of the extra session in August, 1893, and the passage of the repeal bill in the senate in October. By a lightning transformation which was altogether unique in politics, Daniel W. Voorhees who before and afterwards was a 16 to 1 man of the ultra Bland school, became for the time an extreme champion of the gold standard than Grover Cleveland himself or John Sherman.

The 43,000 places which the president by his various extensions of the civil service classified list in the past three years has taken out of politics have deprived him of a weapon which he could use with some effect in fighting the silver folly. The offices are filled, and their incumbents have a virtual assurance that they can hang on to them during life or good behavior. The army of auxiliaries has stacked its guns and has gone out of the fight. The marvelous conversions of three years ago are no longer possible. Neither Senator Voorhees nor any other free coiner can ever again be forced to take the road to Damascus.

SENATORS Dubois and Pettigrew are on the ground in Chicago, awaiting the day of the national democratic convention, which they hope will take a position satisfactory to the silver men. It is not often that men like these take a part in the preparation for two great national conventions in a single year. Their present position is but an object lesson, exemplifying the truth of the fact that all roads from the republican party lead into the democratic camp.

THE democratic national convention will meet in Chicago next Tuesday—and then the campaign will begin in dead earnest. It remains to be seen whether a bolt will be made there, as has been done in the prohibition and republican conventions.

ALL the monetary legislation imaginable cannot make good times so long as the balance of trade is against us, and government expenditures exceed government receipts.

It will require a magnifying glass of extraordinary power to make the currency issue look as large as the tariff question, to the average American voter.

It would indeed be a calamity to the democracy to lose Whitney and his "bar" by the adoption of a free silver plank in the Chicago convention.

A PROPHECY OF 1892.

GENERAL HARRISON'S LAST MESSAGE TO CONGRESS.

Cleveland's Election and Its Effect on Business Discussed—Testimony to the Benefits of Protection—A Matter of Principle, Not Schedule.

It was after Grover Cleveland had been elected and congress had assembled in the session which was to expire with the inauguration of a Democratic president that General Harrison in his last message bore testimony to the benefits of the protective system. On Dec. 6, 1892, he said:

"There never has been a time in our history when work was so abundant or when wages were as high, whether measured by the currency in which they are paid or by their power to supply the necessities and comforts of life. If any believe that wages or prices, the returns for honest toil, are inadequate, they should not fail to remember that there is no other country in the world where would not be accepted as highly prosperous. The English agriculturist would be glad to exchange the returns of his labor for those of the American farmer and the Manchester workmen their wages for those of their fellows at Fall River."

Then, with a prophecy born of inspiration, Mr. Harrison discussed the result of the election which was to retire the Republican party from power.

"That election," he said, "must be accepted as having introduced a new policy. We must assume that the present tariff, constructed upon the lines of protection, is to be repealed, and that there is to be substituted for it a tariff law constructed solely with reference to revenue; that no duty is to be higher because the increase will keep open an American mill or keep up the wages of an American workman, but that in every case such a rate of duty is to be imposed as will bring to the treasury of the United States the largest returns of revenue. The contention lies not between schedule, but between principle."

"When a system of customs duties can be framed that will set the idle wheels and looms of Europe in motion and crowd our warehouses with foreign made goods, and at the same time keep our own mills busy; that will give us an increased participation in the 'markets of the world' of greater value than the home market will surrender; that will give increased work to foreign workmen upon products to be consumed by our people without diminishing the amount of work to be done here; that will enable the American manufacturer to pay his workmen from 50 to 100 per cent more in wages than is paid in the foreign mill and yet to compete in our market and in foreign markets with the foreign producer; that will further reduce the cost of articles of wear and food without reducing the wages of those who produce them; that can be celebrated, after its effects have been realized, as its expectation has been, in European as well as American cities, the authors and promoters of it will be entitled to the highest praise. We have had in our history several experiences of the contrasted efforts of a revenue and protective tariff; but this generation has not felt them, and the experience of one generation is not highly instructive to the next. The friends of the protective system, with undiminished confidence in the principles they have advocated, will await the results of the new experiment."

What the results of "the new experiment" have been every one knows. Failing revenues, imports exceeding exports, gold disappearing from the reserve, a constantly recurring deficiency, repeated increases of the national debt, general depression, business uncertainty, universal bankruptcy, labor unemployed, wages reduced and an era of disaster unparalleled in the history of a great nation. That is the story of four years of "the new experiment."—Washington Cor. New York Press.

Protection Must Protect. No one says anything about the McKinley tariff being too radical any more.

This is right if the correspondent refers to those half hearted protectionists who invariably wince under Democratic criticism and say that McKinley rates "may" have been too high. We are sorry to admit that a few of these evasionists are still to be found in both branches of congress. But they had nothing to say about McKinley rates being "too high" in 1892. They cannot be "too high" to exclude foreign products that are similar in character to our own products.

The Foreign Wreckers. The foreign manufacturers do not conceal their deep interest in the success of the Democratic party. They do not conceal the reason for such interest. It is because the party stands for a doctrine which will break down American competition and open up the market of this great nation to the products of English skill, English labor and English capital.—Hon. William McKinley.

Not Recovered Yet. Insure the house of representatives to the Democracy by all means.—New York Sun, 1892.

And how the country has suffered in following such fool advice.

Reed on Labor. With wages rising in 1892, prices of manufactured goods falling, with lessening hours of labor, what more do you want except more of the same sort?—Hon. Thomas B. Reed.

The Wheat Market. CONSUMPTION PER CAPITA. 1892—McKinley protection..... 5.91 1893—"Tariff reform"..... 4.54 Democratic hard times lessened consumption per capita of population..... 1.87

Men Who Court Death. Probably the most remarkable army division in the world is the Foreign legion of France. It is this legion which is invariably sent into the greatest danger. Whenever there are hardships to be borne to which the French authorities do not care to expose the regular troops, the Foreign legion is invariably designated for the purpose.

Naturally the question arises, Why is this so? The character of the men who fill its ranks is the explanation.

Almost without exception they are men who, while brave beyond question, have a past which they wish to bury. Many of them are serving under incognito and place no value upon their lives. Fully 50 per cent are foreigners, adventurers and refugees.

A writer states that in one company he has found a Roumanian prince who was under suspicion of having murdered his brother; an Italian lieutenant colonel of cavalry, bearing an illustrious name, who had been dismissed from King Humbert's army in disgrace, in consequence of being found cheating at cards; a Russian nihilist who escaped from Siberia; an ex-canon of the Cathedral of Notre Dame at Paris, who had been suspended from his ecclesiastical functions in consequence of an offense committed against public morality; an English ex-captain of the rifle brigade, and a German count who had not only served as lieutenant in the first regiment of guards at Berlin, but who had also held a position on the staff of the late German emperor.—London Tit-Bits.

The Shah the Eighteenth Victim. The shah was the eighteenth sovereign or head of a state assassinated in this century. It was the Emperor Paul, murdered in 1801 by palace conspirators who led off. Next came the Sultan Selim, in 1808. There was then a long interval, extending to 1831, when Capodistrias, president of the provisional government of Greece, was shot at and then dispatched by a blow from a yataghan at Nauplia. At the end of another interval, extending to 1854, the Duke of Parma was assassinated.

The turn of transatlantic presidents began with the president of Hayti, in 1859. The South American series included Colonel Balta, president of Peru, in 1872; Moreno, president of Ecuador, in the same year, and his successor, Gutierrez, in 1873. President Lincoln was the first North American president to be assassinated; Abdul Aziz was shot to death in a warm bath in 1874; President Garfield was shot in 1880 and Alexander I blown up in 1881. Carnot was murdered in the midst of civic festivity at Lyons. The queen of Korea was the last to be added to the black list. Four days of Algiers were murdered in this century. The executed monarchs were Murat, Iturbide and Maximilian of Austria, each and all of whom tempted fate.—London News.

The Discovery Saved His Life. Mr. G. Caillouette, druggist, Beaverville, Ill., says: "To Dr. King's New Discovery I owe my life. Was taken with La Grippe and tried all the physicians for miles about, but of no avail, and was given up and told that I could not live. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in my store, I sent for a bottle and began its use, and from the first dose began to get better, and after using three bottles I was up and about again. It is worth its weight in gold. We won't keep store or house without it." Get a free trial bottle at Longwell Bro's drug store.

The diplomatic service has sometimes been assailed in congress as a purely ornamental one; and while the evident necessity of maintaining the service is such as ought to save it from the destructionists, it is quite true that our diplomatic relations with some of the powers are more ceremonious than practical. But we must be equipped and prepared for emergencies, and every now and then, even at the smallest and most remote courts, there is a critical need of an American representative to protect American citizens or American interests.—Ex-President Harrison in July Ladies' Home Journal.

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